



Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 3.2
Soil moisture supplies: 3% very short, 2% short, 42% adequate and 53% surplus

Field Crops Report
Spring plowing progressed as fields started to dry out. Corn planting has started and will increase as field conditions improve. A few of the rice producers were able to begin planting in spite of the cool soil temperatures.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops
Producers continued spraying and harvesting strawberries. Vegetable producers continued to prepare for planting of spring crops. Citrus producers pruned and fertilized trees. Crawfish trapping continued, and producers continued to report small catches.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report
Calving continued last week. Cattlemen continued to feed hay which was in low supply. Winter pastures started to show signs of improvement.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2009	5 YR AVG
Land Preparation	Spring plowing	11	8	45	26

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Sugarcane	8	21	53	17	1
Winter Wheat	0	10	53	32	5
Livestock	4	19	53	23	1
Vegetables	19	34	35	11	1
Pasture	18	27	41	13	1



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LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 03/08/10 TO 03/14/10

	AIR				PRECIPITATION			
	TEMPERATURE				WEEKLY	FOUR	YR. TO	
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	TOTAL	WEEKS	DATE	NORM
1. Northwest								
LSU-Bossier City	77	40	59	55	1.14	3.22	8.58	11.24
Minden	78	37	57	55	1.36	3.10	10.01	12.20
Mooringsport	77	42	58	MM	1.41	3.32	9.90	10.44
Extreme/Average	78	37	58	56	1.30	3.21	9.50	11.49
2. North-Central								
LSU-Calhoun	79	38	59	56	0.63	2.16	8.47	13.14
Homer/Hill Farm	79	(34)	56	54	1.43	2.52	12.14	12.32
ULM-Monroe	80	45	60	56	0.40	1.30	8.80	13.61
Columbia Lock	79	40	58	MM	0.32	1.89	7.45	13.92
Extreme/Average	80	34	58	56	0.70	1.78	8.24	13.11
3. Northeast								
Lake Providence	77	43	58	55	0.32	1.52	7.60	13.77
LSU-St Joseph	79	43	60	57	0.40	2.53	13.67	14.04
LSU-Winnsboro	78	40	59	56	0.34	1.64	7.94	13.46
Tallulah	79	40	59	56	0.92	2.28	9.24	13.84
Extreme/Average	79	40	59	57	0.50	1.99	9.61	13.74
4. West-Central								
Leesville	82	37	60	58	0.10	2.19	9.78	12.85
LSU-Rosepine	79	38	59	58	0.08	1.99	10.88	12.63
Natchitoches	(82)	44	61	57	0.44	3.03	9.70	12.53
Extreme/Average	82	37	60	58	0.21	2.40	10.12	12.59
5. Central								
Alexandria	78	43	60	59	0.14	3.26	11.88	13.55
Brusly	MM	MM	MM	59	M.MM	M.MM	MM.MM	14.12
Bunkie	78	42	59	59	0.45	4.54	14.92	13.86
LSU-Alexandria	77	42	60	58	0.19	4.14	13.21	13.22
Extreme/Average	78	42	60	59	0.26	3.98	13.34	13.62
6. East-Central								
Franklinton 5SW	77	40	60	MM	0.35	3.71	13.27	MM.MM
LSU-Baton Rouge	77	42	60	59	0.29	3.25	10.10	13.17
Amite	78	38	60	59	0.68	3.59	12.48	14.97
LSU-Hammond	77	38	59	59	0.33	3.24	9.87	14.41
Slidell	72	42	59	60	0.85	3.22	13.54	14.18
Extreme/Average	78	38	60	60	0.50	3.40	11.85	14.28
7. Southwest								
DeRidder	79	41	60	59	0.15	2.25	13.33	13.34
Jennings	78	45	61	59	0.29	2.21	9.25	11.95
LSU-Crowley	78	42	61	60	0.12	2.08	7.99	12.33
Extreme/Average	79	41	61	60	0.19	2.18	10.19	11.98
8. South-Central								
Donaldsonville	78	41	60	60	0.74	3.32	11.91	12.70
LSU-Jeanerette	77	45	62	60	0.24	2.84	9.60	11.46
Morgan City	74	44	61	60	0.42	1.91	8.42	12.37
Extreme/Average	78	41	61	61	0.47	2.69	9.98	12.14
9. Southeast								
Galliano	74	42	60	61	0.85	4.02	13.60	12.96
Houma	77	46	62	62	0.57	3.23	11.13	12.27
Terrytown 3S	76	43	62	MM	0.53	2.52	11.81	MM.MM
Reserve	MM	MM	MM	60	M.MM	1.00	1.00	14.31
Extreme/Average	77	42	61	62	0.65	3.26	12.18	13.18
State Averages	82	34	60	59	0.50	2.81	10.75	12.96

M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through March 14, 2010

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